

By Mr. DeNucci of Newton, petition of A. Joseph DeNucci and another relative to authorizing an increase in the membership of alcoholic beverages licensing boards in certain cities. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-One.

AN ACT ALLOWING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSING BOARDS IN CERTAIN CITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 138 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out section 4, as most recently amended by
3 chapter 80 of the acts of 1958, and inserting in place thereof the
4 following section: —

5 *Section 4.* In each city which is not exempt by the provisions of
6 section ten there shall be a licensing board appointed by the mayor,
7 subject to confirmation by the board of aldermen or, if there is no
8 such board, by the city council, consisting of three, five or seven
9 members, as determined by ordinance, who shall not be engaged,
10 directly or indirectly, in the manufacture or sale of alcoholic beverages,
11 who have been residents of the city in which they are appointed
12 for at least two years immediately preceding their appointment.
13 In the case of a three member board, no more than two of the
14 members of the board shall be members of the same political party;
15 in the case of a five member board no more than three of the
16 members of the board shall be members of the same political party;
17 and in the case of a seven member board no more than four
18 members of the board shall be members of the same political party.
19 If any member of said board engages directly or indirectly in such
20 manufacture or sale, his office shall immediately become vacant.

1 SECTION 2. The licensing board in existence in any city imme-
2 diately prior to the effective date of this act shall be deemed to be in
3 existence on the effective date of this act.